Daily Delight

National Earmuff Day

Ahhhh....the earmuff! On those really cold days when the wind is howling and it feels like your ears are going to freeze and break off your head, the earmuff is a lifesaver (or ear saver, as the case may be). Invented by Chester Greenwood on March 13, 1877, the "Champion Ear Protector," as he called them back then, not only keeps your ears from turning into ice cubes, they are also helpful in protecting you from earaches and ear infections due to icy weather conditions.

For construction workers, the earmuff has another great quality. That is as a hearing protector, as some earmuffs have a "noise reduction rating" of 33 decibels. They're almost able to completely block out any sounds.

Today in History

In 2006, Miles Davis and Herb Alpert were among the inductees in the 21st Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. Among one of the most influential and acclaimed figures in the history of jazz and 20th-century music, Davis was a jazz trumpeter, bandleader, and composer who trained at Julliard.

TRIVIA

What is the name of King Arthur's legendary sword?

- **A** Sting
- **B** Excalibur
- **C** Orcrist
- **D** Glamdring

DID YOU KNOW?
Uncle Walter

Walter Cronkite was not the best educated or the best dressed or even the best looking correspondent who ever worked as a CBS Evening News anchorman. But he was cited as "the most trusted man in America" after a prominent pollster named Oliver Quayle held a survey to figure out the public's trust in various politicians running for office in 1972. As a lark, he included Walter Cronkite. "Uncle Walter" won hands down. CBS was quick to brand Cronkite with the title "Most Trusted Man in America."

TODAY'S FUNNY

Why did the guy break up with his caterpillar girlfriend?

Because she had changed.

TODAY'S WISDOM

"Life isn't fair. A fair's a place where you eat corn dogs and ride the Ferris wheel."
- Jennifer Brown

WORD SEARCH

IN A COUNTRY SONG

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L  X  L  N  V  F  H  L  Y  G  R  R  O  O
N  E  Z  B  R  V  O  U  C  T  Z  G  T  W
F  B  R  C  O  U  N  T  R  Y  G  A  Q  D
R  E  D  N  E  C  K  W  F  A  C  R  N  D
O  E  L  W  T  E  Y  A  C  G  W  M  K  N
A  R  R  E  U  V  T  N  L  B  R  E  S  E
D  N  D  K  Z  D  O  G  N  Y  N  L  W  B
R  O  J  F  U  N  N  Y  N  M  J  C  T  Z
U  Y  S  P  I  C  K  U  P  U  L  O  T  T
N  K  M  P  T  T  L  E  N  S  Y  N  M  V
K  C  K  R  O  S  E  L  W  I  F  E  W  E
I  P  S  Z  A  N  T  R  A  C  T  O  R  B
G  R  E  E  A  B  W  O  M  A  N  P  E  B
K  Y  U  S  F  L  T  Z  Y  E  C  I  Y  D
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BEER	HONKY TONK	TRACTOR
COUNTRY	MUSIC	TWANGY
DOG	PICKUP	WIFE
DRUNK	REDNECK	WOMAN
FUNNY	ROAD	

SUDOKU

How To Play:

Each 9x9 box is comprised of 9 smaller 3x3 boxes. Each of these smaller boxes must be filled in with numbers from 1-9. Each row and column of the larger 9x9 box should not have any numbers repeated.

Puzzle 1

	1	5						7
			8	1	2			5
	6	3	7	5				8
4	8				3	2	5	
			2		4			
1			6			3	8	
	2		5	6	8	4		
6		1		3			9	
3			9			5	7	

Puzzle 2

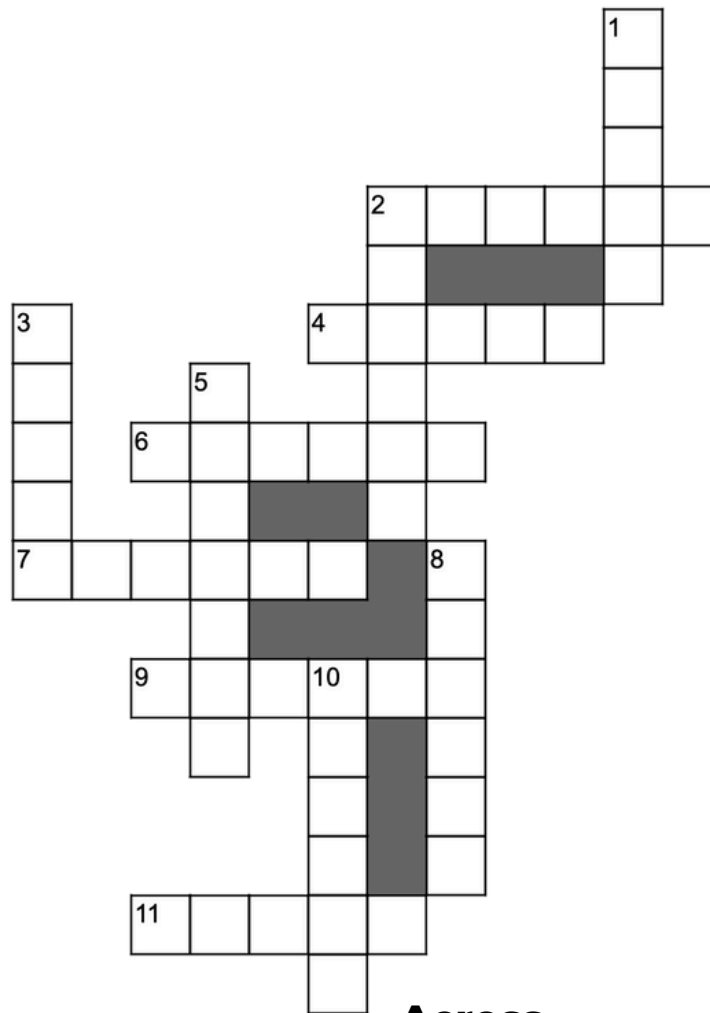|							4	6
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8	5	2	9					
	9		8		7		3	
	6		2	3				7
4		7		1		9		
		5	7					
3		6			1		2	
2		9			7			

Helpful Tip:

If you get stuck, try asking yourself "Where can I place number X in this row or column?" Scan to see if the number is already in that row, column, or box.

WORD JUMBLE

Every answer uses only the letters in the word:

BUTTERFLIES

Down

1. Main name
2. Avenue
3. Short meeting
5. Colonist
8. Shelled amphibian
10. Clan

Across

2. Hardly notice
4. An apple is one
6. Faith in something
7. Purify your water with this
9. Addams family uncle
11. Speak softly

Each number stands for a letter. The correlating number for 3 of the letters has been provided as a starting point. Find the numbers in the puzzle and write the assigned letter. Single letters and word length are all hints. Be sure to keep track of what numbers are used for each letter to decode the message!

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	26	_

N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
_	8	_	_	13	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_

14 18 2   2 26 2 22 7 14 8 13   14 8

1 19 25 25 2 1 1   3 1   8 19 14

8 21   8 13 15 2 13   9 8 19 26 26

18 7 22 2   14 8   19 1 2
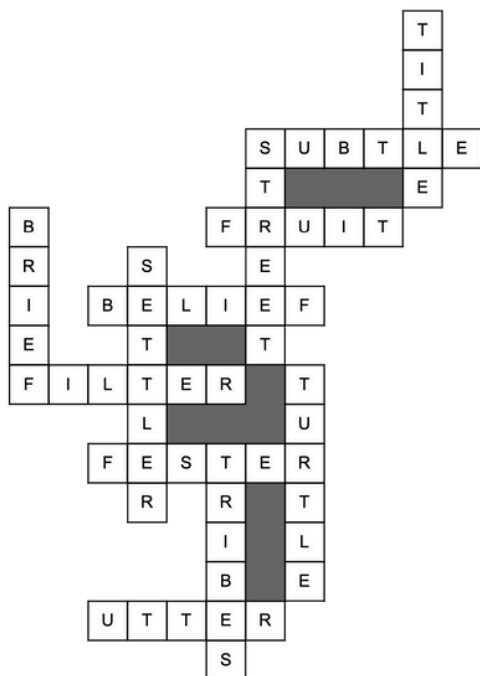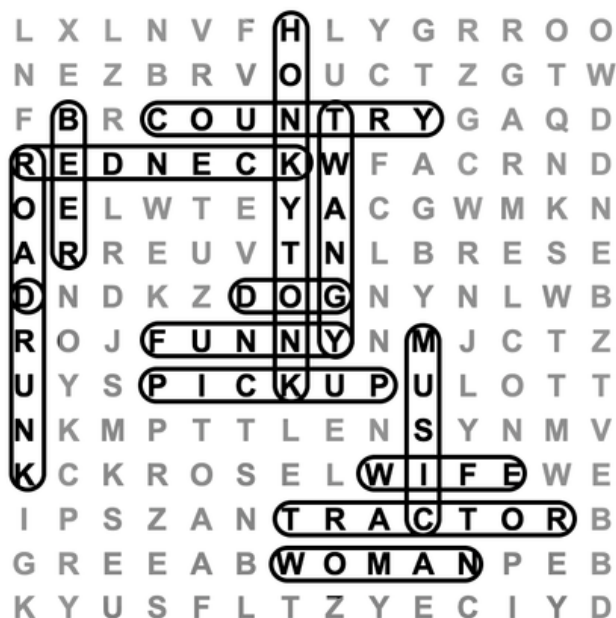
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SOLUTIONS

Trivia Answer: B
Excalibur, in Arthurian legend, is King Arthur's sword. As a boy, only Arthur was able to draw the sword out of a stone in which it had been magically fixed.

8	1	5	3	4	6	9	2	7
7	9	4	8	1	2	6	3	5
2	6	3	7	5	9	1	4	8
4	8	6	1	7	3	2	5	9
5	3	9	2	8	4	7	6	1
1	7	2	6	9	5	3	8	4
9	2	7	5	6	8	4	1	3
6	5	1	4	3	7	8	9	2
3	4	8	9	2	1	5	7	6

9	2	3	7	1	5	8	4	6
7	4	1	3	6	8	5	2	9
6	8	5	2	9	4	3	7	1
1	9	2	8	4	7	6	3	5
5	6	8	9	2	3	4	1	7
4	3	7	6	5	1	2	9	8
8	1	4	5	7	2	9	6	3
3	7	6	4	8	9	1	5	2
2	5	9	1	3	6	7	8	4

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
7	16	25	15	2	21	11	18	3	20	4	26	10

N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
17	8	12	24	13	1	14	19	22	6	5	9	23

THE ELEVATOR TO
SUCCESS IS OUT
OF ORDER, YOU'LL
HAVE TO USE
THE STAIRS.